







Update-August 25, 2020

**For Immediate Release** 

**Incident Commander: Eric Knerr, Northwest Team 7** 

**Fire Information: 971-277-5075** 

**Warm Springs, Oregon** This update is for the P-515 Fire and Lionshead Fire burning on the Warm Springs Reservation. Both fires are being managed for full suppression.

**Current Situation:** Yesterday, firefighters on the P-515 Fire improved the fire line by extinguishing and removing burning material along the line, felling snags, and moving logs to reduce their potential to roll downhill (mop up). Crews continue to secure and strengthen fire lines on the north, south, and west ends of the fire. On the east flank, firefighters secured the last mile of line overnight by eliminating unburnt fuels between the fire's edge and containment line through burn operations.

Yesterday, crews on the Lionshead Fire used aviation assets on the southern flank after the smoke cleared to support on-ground efforts. Dozers were used on the north side of the fire to go both direct and indirect to extend the fire line to the west towards Lionshead Peak. Firefighters located a spot fire on the southerm flank and were able to contain that spot.

**P-515 Fire:** Today, resources plan to focus their mop-up efforts on concentrated sources of heat along the southern and northern perimeter of the fire. Resources will work on the western flank to better secure the fire line.

**Lionshead Fire:** Resources will conduct direct and indirect operations to improve the P-440 road in preparation for burning out the northern flank and prepping the eastern flank to secure the fire line. Crews will continue road prep with masticators and hand work along the southern perimeter of the fire. A masticator is a machine used to grind, chip, or break apart fuels such as brush, small trees and slash into small pieces.

Quick Facts Incident Summaries P-515 / Lionshead	
Approximate Size in Acres:	4,462 ac./2,4 ac.
Fire Containment:	35% / 8%
Incident Commander	Eric Knerr
Resources on the fire:	Crews: 17 Helicopters: 7 Engines: 18 Water Tenders: 4 Dozers: 9 Masticator: 10
Total Personnel:	643
Jurisdiction:	Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs
Oregon Smoke Blog http://oregonsmoke.blogspot.com/	
Inciweb https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7050/ https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7049/	

**Weather and Fire Behavior:** Light winds with temperatures in the upper 70's is forecast for today. Lower elevations will see more humidity than in past days. Persistent burning conditions will be evident with dry fuels resistant to fire suppression. Firefighters may see short runs on steep slopes and torching with spot fires to a quarter mile.

**Closures**: Trout Lake Road at pavement end; Road B140 at Potter's Pond; Road B210 and Road P-500. All trails south of Trout Lake, west of M-120 Metolious Bench, east of Mt. Jefferson, and north of J-195 will be closed to the public. Also, Tenino Road (P-200) will be closed to the public, only fire personnel and residents are allowed on Tenino Road (P-200).

**Evacuations:** A Level 1 Evacuation (Get Ready) is in effect for residents on Trout Lake Road west of US-26.

**COVID-19:** Precautionary measures have been implemented to prevent the spread of COVID-19. These measures include daily temperature screenings, mandatory use of face coverings, social distancing, and implementing more virtual work. Public and firefighter safety are a top priority.

**Prevention Message:** Reduce wildfire risk, know your local fire restrictions.